

ARKANSAS BROILER HATCHERY

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ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS UP 1 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

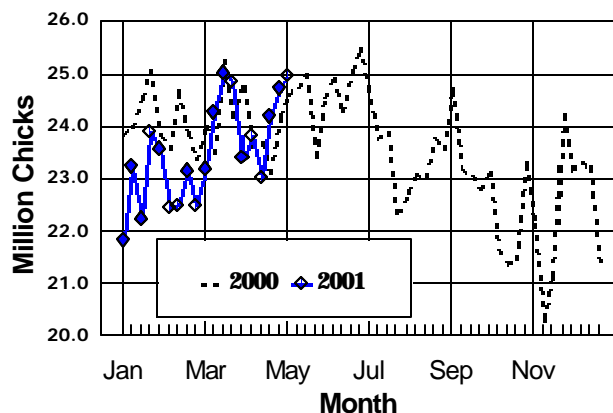
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in Arkansas was 25.0 million during the week ending May 12, 2001, according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Placements were up 1 percent from both the comparable week in 2000, and the previous week, and included 2.8 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through May 12, 2001 were 446.8 million, down 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week was 25.1 million, down 1 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, but 1 percent above the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.5 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83.3 percent.

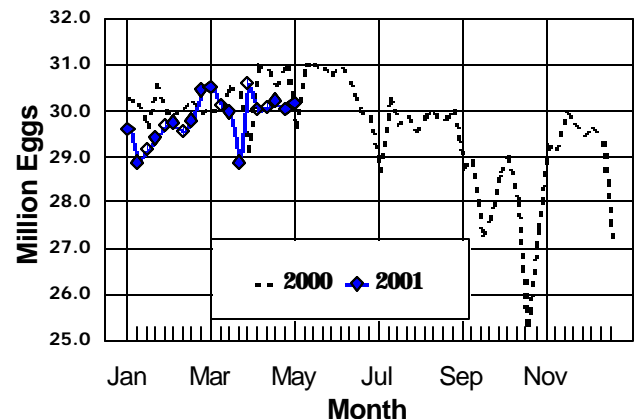
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 30.2 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending May 12, 2001, 3 percent below the same period last year, but up 1 percent from the previous week.

Week Ending	NET PLACEMENTS			CHICKS HATCHED			EGGS SET		
	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change
	<i>1,000</i>			<i>1,000</i>			<i>1,000</i>		
Apr. 7	23,653	23,389	99	25,035	25,003	100	31,071	30,602	98
Apr. 14	23,680	23,813	101	24,986	24,822	99	30,893	30,029	97
Apr. 21	23,109	23,026	100	23,835	23,852	100	30,577	30,087	98
Apr. 28	24,879	24,197	97	25,270	25,267	100	31,026	30,253	98
May 5	24,666	24,730	100	25,402	24,919	98	29,675	30,017	101
May 12	24,716	24,972	101	25,365	25,054	99	31,064	30,173	97

CHICKS PLACED IN ARKANSAS, 2000 - 2001



EGGS SET, 2000 - 2001



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BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 15 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2001

EGGS SET (in Thousands)						CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
	Week Ending				1/		Week Ending				1/	
STATE	21-Apr	28-Apr	05-May	12-May	%	07-Apr	14-Apr	21-Apr	28-Apr	05-May	12-May	%
Alabama	28,823 *	29,101	28,872	29,600	102	22,316	21,857	22,135	22,088 *	22,290	21,476	99
ARKANSAS	30,087 *	30,253	30,017	30,173	97	23,389	23,813	23,026	24,197	24,730	24,972	101
Delaware	3,777	3,573	3,588	3,680	84	5,648	4,672	5,155	4,717	4,190	4,864	85
Florida	2,384	2,381	2,376	2,400	83	2,186	2,468	2,395	2,458 *	2,411	2,362	95
Georgia	31,853	32,169	32,206	32,278	101	25,534	25,440	25,341 *	25,045 *	25,981 *	25,468	103
Maryland	8,788	8,724	8,769	8,960	105	5,221	6,106	4,871	5,782	5,557	5,836	103
Mississippi	18,119	17,933	18,744 *	19,089	103	15,491	15,615	15,331	15,671	15,690 *	14,599	97
N. Carolina	17,790 *	17,826	17,861	18,342	99	14,446	14,405	14,437	14,690 *	13,794	14,622	98
Pennsylvania	3,692 *	3,727 *	3,822 *	3,760	105	2,678 *	2,556 *	2,751 *	2,841 *	2,759 *	2,699	97
S. Carolina	5,021	4,983 *	4,968	5,087	109	4,201	4,584	3,909	4,464 *	3,878	4,392	97
Texas	15,261	15,299	15,289	15,290	103	11,558	11,606	11,461	11,970	11,917	11,943	101
Virginia	6,693	6,611	6,852	6,682	101	5,458	5,415	6,051	5,697	6,197	5,326	93
CA TN & W VA	11,538	10,959 *	11,484 *	11,442	101	10,260	10,694	10,282	10,340 *	10,060 *	10,800	103
Total 2000-2001	183,826 *	183,539 *	184,848 *	186,783		148,386 *	149,231 *	147,145 *	149,960 *	149,454 *	149,359	
Total 1999-2000	186,477	186,476	183,698	185,949		147,609	148,314	148,919	151,362	150,793	150,139	
% PREV. YEAR	99	98	101	100		101	101	99	99	99	99	
APPROXIMATE MARKETING DATE 2001.....						26-May	02-Jun	09-Jun	16-Jun	23-Jun	30-Jun	

* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

*Kentucky	5,610	5,339	5,115	5,513	****	3,612	3,172	4,281	4,329	3,987	4,511	****
*Oklahoma	6,236	6,333	6,109	6,180	****	4,783	4,629	4,565	5,319	4,298	4,274	****
*LA & MO	9,259	9,380	9,444	9,444	****	8,027	9,005	9,143	8,843	9,075	8,951	****
19 StateTotal	204,931	204,591	205,516	207,920		164,808	166,037	165,134	168,451	166,814	167,095	

* Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States are being published for the first time in the weekly broiler program.

EGGS SET IN 15 MAJOR BROILER PRODUCING STATES UP SLIGHTLY

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-state weekly program set 187 million eggs during the week ending May 12, 2001. This was up slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 82 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED DOWN 1 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 15-state weekly program placed 149 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 12, 2001. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through May 12, 2001 were 2.78 billion, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

